

PATENT APPLICATION

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents below and listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

- (1) U.S. Publication No. 2005-0129348 A1
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,278,231
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,838,297
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,357,122
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 5,191,219
- (6) WO 2004/093354 A1

(7) Hideo Itoh, et al., "Multidimensional Optical Interconnections Using Beam-Scanning Laser Diodes", Electronics and Communications in Japan, Part II: Electronics, Scripta Technica, New York, U.S., Vol. 75, No. 11, (11/01/1992), pp. 32-41, XP000381545, ISSN: 8756-663X.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following co-pending Application which has been assigned in common with the present application:

Application No.	Filing Date	Group Art Unit	<u>Inventor</u>
10/530,188	April 4, 2005	2883	Tatsuya Iwasaki

It is noted that the foregoing application has not been published under 35 U.S.C. § 122. However, the application is currently available in the Patent Office's Image File Wrapper. Therefore, in accordance with Official Gazette Notice 1287 O.G. 163 (Oct. 19, 2004), a copy of the foregoing U.S. Application is not being provided herewith. In addition, document (6) is believed to be an international application corresponding to U.S. Application No. 10/530,188.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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